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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT 37 CFR § 1.115

Sir:

In preparing this application for filing in foreign countries, it was noticed that the certified copy of the U.S. application did not have drawings with it. When researching the application on the USPTO PAIR system, there were no drawings scanned in. However, the cover sheet indicates that 4 pages of drawings were filed (see paragraph 4). We have enclosed a copy of the cover sheet printed from the PAIR system indicating that the cover sheet was received by the USPTO.

The specification makes reference to the 11 figures of drawings beginning on page 4, paragraph [016] and in the Detailed Description. We are enclosing an additional set of drawings and would ask that they be considered if the originally filed drawings were misplaced.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required Appl. No.: 10/817,303 Filed: 04/02/2004

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therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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